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On January 25th, at Manchester, the wife of Lieutenant H. MORLAND, Royal Inn Marine, of a son.

On February 8th, at Waiwatu, the wife of J. W. LAMBERT, of a son (stillborn).

On February 13th, at Shanghai, the wife of R. J. BOWMAN, of a daughter.

On February 17th, at Shanghai, the wife of F. H. CROSSLAND, of a daughter.

On February 17th, at Shanghai, the wife of H. SPATHE, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

On February 10th, at Shanghai, Rev. ERNEST FRANK SMITH, of the Baptist Missionary Society, Siam, Siam, to MRS. ELIZABETH BOEN.

On February 10th, at Shanghai, Rev. STANLEY JENKINS, M.D., F.R.C.S., of the English Baptist Mission, Siam, Siam, to MRS. M. L. (DAISY) LOVERIDGE, late of Wu Chang, Kiang.

On February 17th, at Shanghai, Miss SARAH NICOLL WOODWARD, to the Rev. (CANON) PARQUHAR MCKAY.

On February 18th, at Shanghai, Captain EDWIN L. MONKMAN, C. N. Co's steamer Tientsin, to MARY (JANIE) BERRY, eldest daughter of J. B. BERRY, Electricity Works, Shanghai.

DEATHS.

On February 9th, at Hankow, ARTHUR PAUL, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul de Hess, aged 3 years.

On February 16th, at Shanghai, SARAH MARIA OSORIO, widow of the late Francisco A. OSORIO of Hongkong, aged 52 years.

On February 17th, at Shanghai, ERNEST DE BAYLER, aged 82 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 25TH, 1908.

As we suggested would be the case, when we ventured to express our regret at the China Association's error of tactics in connection with its agitation regarding Sir ROBERT HART's successor, the Chinese Government has got its back up, and Sir JOHN JORDAN is finding his position at Peking anything but a bed of roses lately. On page 60 of the 1908 issue of the "Chronicle and Directory," now circulating, the Chinese reader will be able to find a passage that no member of the China Association has thought necessary to bring

to the memory of the public. It occurs in the Rules annexed to the Tariff of 1858, signed and sealed by Lord Macartney and five Chinese Plenipotentiaries. Rule X states, *inter alia*, that "The high officer appointed by the Chinese Government to superintend foreign trade will, accordingly from time to time, either himself visit, or will send a deputy to visit, the different ports. The said high officer will be at liberty, of his own choice, and independently of the suggestion or nomination of any British authority, to select any British subject he may see fit to aid him in the administration of the Customs Revenue." The Chinese officials are now protesting indignantly that the British Foreign Office—Sir JOHN JORDAN presumably having been instructed to make representations on the lines suggested by the China Association—is acting against the spirit and intention of that rule. We cannot support them in that, for to our reading, the Rule can easily be interpreted in a narrower way than the Chinese interpret it. It goes on to define the administrative duties which are to be independent "of the suggestion or nomination of any British authority," and we should certainly argue, if we thought there was any need to do so, that the question of the appointment of Sir ROBERT HART's successor is a much larger affair than anything coming into the purview of that Rule. We merely mention it in passing, to show that the Waiwatu is now in the undesirable state of irritation we foresaw as a consequence of the publication of the Shanghai telegram and the *Gundar* letter. [For previous references to these, vide *Hongkong Daily Press* of Jan. 6th and Jan. 26th.] There is a far more important particular, however, in which the Chinese Foreign Office has an infinitely stronger case, and it is now certain that they will make the most of it. The well-informed members of the China Association have perhaps overlooked it, or they would scarcely endorse the telegram and letter to which we felt obliged in honour to take exception.It is perhaps not generally known that when (in 1898) the Chinese gave the much advertised assurance that Sir ROBERT HART's successor would be an Englishman, Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD gave a counter assurance that China was to have absolute freedom of choice of the man. The 1898 assurance therefore, so much relied upon by the few China Association members responsible for the policy we have assailed, was a two-sided agreement. China's assurance was given with a string of Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD's tying. This bit of history is Chinese, it is true, and we have been unable to find any acknowledgment of it in Foreign Office publications. We understand that Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD's confirmation of it is in the Waiwatu to-day, however; and that the Waiwatu has not forgotten it, even if others have. It is distasteful to us to find ourselves, where we certainly never expected to be, arguing a Chinese claim against our own country's supposed interest, but fair is fair; and we find consolation in the thought that all is not patriotism that professes to be. The attack on Sir ROBERT BRETON was un-English and unfair; in the light of what we have just written, may we not also say that it was unpatriotic as well? It has, we believe (though of this we prefer to speak reservedly) led the British Minister into a dilemma whence we would be pleased to see him honourably extracted. The pledge of his official predecessor was the pledge of the British nation, and at a time when (with ample cause) we have been complaining of China's breaches of faith, we do not want to find our country laid open to a *tu quoque* with such a dishonourable implication. We cannot sufficiently express our regret that a bare half dozen men-of-Shanghai should have been able to so discredit a body with such a worthy record as has the China Association, or so to imperil the good name of our nation. In the meantime, we learn from Chinese sources that some of the Peking officials are maintaining that Sir JOHN JORDAN's interference constitutes a cancellation of the understanding, and that his persistence in it absolves China from her half of the complementary assurance made by, and with, Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD. These hotheads, therefore, want the Government to appoint a man of another nationality, more as an assertion of China's integrity than because they object to an Englishman. But for the Shanghai conspiracy, as we feel obliged to call it, this foolish and untenable position would not have been dreamt of. If both sides keep their promises of 1898, the matter will settle itself in the most natural and amiable way. The pity of it is that the first disposition toward departure from the bond should have been shown by a British association.

Various company reports appear on page 5.

There were only three plague cases last week, making 13 to date. There were 52 cases of smallpox.

We hear that when Dr. Francis Clark returns from Manila, he will go home on furlough, leaving Hongkong on or about the 24th prox.

Before the Odd Volume Society this afternoon Mr. E. D. Haskell will deliver an address entitled "A defence of the House of Lords," which will be followed by a discussion. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., will take the chair at 5.15 p.m.

The "Universal Gazette" publishes a telegram from Canton to the effect that Viceroy Chang Jên-shün has contracted with a foreign firm in that port for the purchase of a large quantity of arms and machine guns for the use of the troops of the two Kwang provinces.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library, and Museum for the week ending the 23rd February, 1908, shows that of non-Chinese there were 393 to the Library and 203 to the Museum, and of Chinese 161 to the former and 4,450 to the latter. The Library was therefore used by 553 persons and the Museum by 4,653.

A meeting of the Justices of the Peace, was held at the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz presiding. An application was considered from Kakwai Uyelsai for an adjournment to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on the premises Nos. 38 and 37 Connaught Road Central under the sign of "Sai Foo Rew." The Justices decided not to grant the application. Mr. P. W. Goldring, who appeared for the applicant, being informed that there was nothing against his client.

Shanghai reports the death on Feb. 15, of Captain William Peter Johnston, late Master in the China Merchant's Steam Navigation Company. Captain Johnston, who was 68 years of age, was a native of Sweden. When he first went to Shanghai he was employed as toll keeper at the bridge crossing the Szechow Creek. Later he was in the service of the Shanghai Cargo Boat Company and then (in 1897) he joined the China Merchant's S. N. Co., rising to the position of Yang's pilot for the company and afterwards to captain on the Shanghai-Hankow line. Captain Johnston retired about a year ago.

An Indian watchman at West Point was so badly maltreated by coolies on Sunday that he had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital with an open wound on his head. It appears that the watchman keeps fowls and these were picking up grains of rice in front of the god-wan. As they got in the way of the coolies engaged in unloading a junk a row ensued, in the course of which the coolies assaulted the watchman with bamboo and one hit him over the head with a cargo hook. His assistant was arrested on the way to the Police Station he escaped from the detective, the latter's fingers being out through in trying to hold on to the prisoner's queue. An Indian policeman afterwards arrested the runaway who was brought before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz at the Magistrate's Court yesterday and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for the assault and fined \$10 or 14 days imprisonment for resisting arrest.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

HIS EXCELLENCY ON THE SCRIPTURES.

A public meeting, in furtherance of the interests of the British and Foreign Bible Society, in Hongkong, was held in the City Hall last evening when H.E. the Governor presided over a good attendance. Sir Frederick was accompanied on the platform by the Bishop of Victoria, the Ven. Archdeacon Banister, the Revs. T. W. Pearce, C. H. Hilling, F. T. Johnson, C. Bone, G. H. Bonfield, of Shanghai (agent in China of the British and Foreign Bible Society) and Mr. Hans Doering of Canton (sub-agent). After the opening exercises the Rev. T. W. Pearce called attention to the literature setting forth the objects of the promoters of the meeting.

His EXCELLENCY addressed the meeting. He said: Ladies and gentlemen—I have been asked to propose the following resolution: "That this meeting of subscribers and friends in Hongkong of the British and Foreign Bible Society hereby inaugurates a Hongkong auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society and requests the following gentlemen to serve as officers of the auxiliary—Perpetual President, the Bishop of Victoria; hon. treasurer, Dr. Saunders of the Taylor Hospital; and hon. secretary, the Rev. T. W. Pearce." There are gentlemen on the platform including the Bishop of Victoria who are much more able to speak than I am on the objects of this Society and the means by which it shall not trouble you with a long speech and curtail the opportunities of the other speakers in making a full exposition of the subject. The object of the Society is, as you know, to translate the Bible into every known language spoken and distribute it everywhere of the world. The Bible Society has been instrumental in translating it into over four hundred different languages and it distributes yearly, as I see from the report, over two million copies throughout the world. I remember some time ago a conversation in which the point was discussed whether if you were wrecked on a barren island or if you found yourself fated to spend an Arctic winter alone and you had to be content with one single book, what book would you prefer. One said Shakespeare, another said Adam Smith, and others made other selections, but the best and most widely read man said the Bible. And it is, ladies and gentlemen, an absolutely unique book, a book of unique historic interest. If you look at the majestic

simplicity of this story of the evolution of the earth from chaos as told in the first chapter of Genesis, a description which science has only tended to corroborate in all its important essentials, if you turn then to the history of the Hebrew nation from the time of the patriarchs in the desert watching his flocks and herds; through the period of the judges, through the period of the kings, and call to mind some of the extraordinarily interesting stories which are told of that period—take for instance the description of Elijah on Mount Carmel, or the death of Ahab at Ramoth Gilead, I think there are no stories which if we have heard a thousand times thrill us with the vividness of their diction and graphic description as the old wonderful stories of the Old Testament. Then we turn to the Psalms with the sweet melody which they contain, the poetic imagery and their depots of human emotion—that psalm for instance—expressing the depths of despair beginning—"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Then again the contented mind that the Psalmist speaks of in the beautiful little ode "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me beside still waters." Then again he bursts into thanksgiving and praise in that psalm which has the refrain running through it "All ye creatures praise ye the Lord, praise Him and magnify Him forever." I think you can find in no other book words which so stir the human imagination and bring a response from every human heart. Then we go on to the other books. Take the rugged poetry of Isaiah "Every one that thirsteth come ye to the waters." Then again that familiar chapter that we know so well as an oratorio "Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people, saith the Lord." Then again the image which I and others who have been in desert places in Africa can realise so well, "the shadow of a great rock in a weary land," a cover from the tempest, a river in a desert country." Then we come to that wonderful book of Job which I think is the most marvellous book in this earth, a book which teaches the acceptance of the great laws of nature and the laws of God, and the impotence of man which tries to set up his will against them. "Canst thou bind the sweet influences of the Pleiades or loose the bonds of Orion?" And then we pass to the book of Ecclesiastes, a book full of wisdom and pathos, especially that last chapter, the chapter of wisdom, with its wonderful symbolism and phases of human life, winding up at the end with "When the silver cord is loosed and the golden bowl broken when the voice of the grasshopper is a burden." Then we come to the New Testament, only about a quarter of the whole volume, and we recall that quarter contains the teachings which have revolutionised the earth's teachings which have spread from east to west and have permeated the whole of the continent of America and which by the agency of societies like this is being spread to every corner of the earth where human species are found. Can any creed boast of a preface to rival the simplicity of diction, the forcible and clear statement of the Sermon on the Mount, the life and death of Christ, or that story of the Acts of the Apostles, the incisive and some reasoning of St. Paul and his extraordinary diversity of interest. It is indeed, ladies and gentlemen, a unique book of books, the book from which we have taken the name of this Society. If I dwell on the value of this book, I shall not do it justice. I am not that I see sight of the fact that these are not mere words over which this Society spends a quarter of a million a year in distributing this Bible. I have not myself dwelt on the other side, that is to say that it contains foundations and is the fountain and source of the Christian religion and the object of the society is to promote that religion. I have left that side because there are gentlemen on this platform who can speak with greater weight and more ability than I can on that side of the subject. I have been asked to propose this resolution and I do so with confidence as I think the Bible Society is one we can support as being among other things a non-sectarian society, but I would like to say one word of warning; I read in the report that many thousand copies of the Bible have been distributed in China, the cost price of which is two shillings and the selling price sixpence. The cost of production includes the cost of printing, etc., I have heard, but I hope there is no truth in that report, that copies have been sold at less than cost price, at less than the commercial value of the material which they contained. There will be a subsequent resolution appointing a committee and I would urge the gentlemen elected to pay attention to that point. The Bible should not be sold at less than the cost of the material of which it is composed. I will not detain you longer but will ask the Rev. Mr. Bonfield to second the resolution.

Rev. G. H. BONFIELD said the Society's object was to translate the holy scriptures into all languages and to distribute them amongst all peoples. The Society had been engaged in its work for over 100 years. The matter of the price, mentioned by His Excellency, had engaged attention for many years. The question of the price was fixed by local considerations, but they had, practically a uniformity of price throughout the great Empire.

TELEGRAMS.

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FIFTH TEST MATCH.

LONDON, February 24th.
England's total in the first innings was 281 runs, of which Gunn compiled 122, not out. The Australians' score in the second innings stands at 18, with no wickets down.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

ADMIRAL OF THE CHINA SQUADRON.

LONDON, February 22nd.
Vice-Admiral Sir H. Lambton has joined the *Himalaya* at Marseilles, en route to Hongkong, to take over the command of the China Squadron.

THE JAPANESE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

LONDON, February 22nd.
The Chief Justice of British Columbia has declared the Immigration Act, inoperative in respect to Japanese because it is opposed to the treaty. The two Japanese recently arrested in Victoria have been released. The Dominion Government's disallowance of the Act is therefore unnecessary.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY LIMITED.

The ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. was held at the offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, at noon yesterday. Mr. H. P. White presided, and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. H. Kewick, Messrs. A. Fuchs, W. Helms, G. Friedland, D. W. Craddock, G. H. Medhurst, J. E. Van Buren, S. Silverstone (directors), R. Mitchell (acting chief manager), T. I. Rose (secretary), A. V. Apear, L. Barindoa, J. P. Bragg, Chan Siak, Choa Loop-oh, A. Denison, F. E. Ellis, E. Georg, W. C. Jack, S. H. Michael, E. J. Moss, B. Mori, W. Parlane, A. Rodger, H. Percy Smith, T. Skinner, W. M. Watson, W. H. Wickham and A. G. Wood.

The SECRETARY having read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some days, I propose, with your permission to take them as read. The net profits for the half-year ending 31st December, 1907, amount to \$169,611.95 as compared with \$401,396.82 for the first six months of the year, and \$369,596.38 for the corresponding period of 1906. Including the \$491,590.56 balance brought forward from last account, and deducting Directors and Auditors' fees, we have available for appropriation the sum of \$941,442.51 out of which sum your Directors propose, subject to your approval, to pay a dividend for the half-year of 8 per cent. or 84 per share, amounting to \$300,000 and to carry forward the balance \$441,442.51 to a new account; we trust this distribution of profits will meet with your approval. Some shareholders may question the advisability of paying away more than has been earned during the past half-year, but I would point out that, taking the year as a whole, we have earned more than the dividends recommended. While regretting the poor results of the working for the past six months it must be remembered that during the first three months of the period under review there was very little doing in this way of docking and repairs, and but for the new work in the shipbuilding department, the shops would have been practically closed. As mentioned in the report, most of the profit on the new work uncompleted will come into the current six months. The profit from this class of work is small but helps to cover establishment charges and keeps our men together during slack periods. The work of lengthening the No. 1 dock, is progressing as well as can be expected without interfering with the utility of the dock and seeing there is still \$2,113.92 at the credit of the extension account, your Directors deemed it inexpedient to make further provision for this account just now, the amount in hand being more than sufficient to carry on for the current six months. The caisson of the No. II dock has been thoroughly overhauled and repaired at an expense of \$12,498.30, which amount you will observe appears at the debit of revenue account, and it was unfortunate that we had to provide for such a heavy extraordinary outlay during a lean half-year, but the work of repairing could not be further delayed. During the present half-year, the caisson of No. III dock will require a thorough overhaul and repair, but being small in itself the cost will not be so heavy as in the other caissons. Stocks of material on hand are lower by \$76,000 than six months ago, and I take this opportunity to inform you that it will be our endeavour to effect such further reduction as is consistent with the satisfactory working of our business. The taking of stocks has been thoroughly carried out and we have the assurance of the stock-takers that the materials are worth the money they stand at in our books. In the statement of accounts, your Directors considered it advisable to make a slight change from our usual practice in giving detailed cost of improvements and separate items in our earnings; these are now merged in two amounts. If any shareholder wishes for fuller information regarding same, details can be obtained on application to the Secretary. Further than

this, the statement of accounts does not appear to call for any special comment. Amounts under the headings of sundry creditors and sundry debtors are rather larger than shown in the last statement, but these will be reduced as new work in hand is delivered and paid for. As you are aware, the new tug and salvage steamer "David Gillies" has been successfully launched; she is now being fitted out, and will be finished, so far as towing is concerned, in about six weeks; the salvage plant though ordered in the early stages of the work, is not yet to hand. The alterations consequent on the extension of the boiler shop are well advanced; the most satisfactory feature in same being the erection of a new chimney and the installation of induced draught. This system has only been running two weeks but gives indication of decided efficiency and will certainly result in further economies of working expenses. The tonnage of British and foreign men of war docked during the past half-year shows a steady reduction compared with former years, and as to merchant shipping, while there have been fewer steamers docked, the aggregate tonnage remains almost the same as the corresponding six months of last year, showing that the average tonnage has gone up from 2,416 tons to 2,620 tons. The subcommittee of Directors have submitted several matters resulting from their investigations which have already been dealt with by the full Board, and the shareholders may rest assured that every effort will continue to be made in the direction of effecting economies. Gentlemen, before closing my remarks, I may say that with the amount of work on hand, our prospects are favourable for the current half-year, and before moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, any questions that you may wish to ask.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. WICKHAM—With the depression existing during the period under review, I think the shareholders may be congratulated on the accounts being as good as they are. In justifying the payment of a four dollar dividend, the Chairman alluded to the fact that, taking the year as a whole, the dividend had been fully earned. It is one of the slight inconveniences of half yearly accounts that the period under review is often too short to show a correct view of the average earnings. Many of the most successful enterprises, if a sufficiently short period is taken in their history, would be made to show unsatisfactory accounts for that period. It is very satisfactory to hear that the work in hand makes the opening of this year appear to be a favourable one, and we hope the seed sown in the last lean half year will bear fruit this year. It is also satisfactory to know that work at the Number One dock is progressing favourably, and that the fund already allotted for that work will be sufficient to carry on for the present half year. The Chairman has not alluded to a matter interesting to every shareholder—that is, the prospect of competition. Personally, I feel very optimistic about the resources and abilities of the Dock Company to meet competition. Its advantages are manifold and only have to be stated to be appreciated. You have the guidance of a board of directors which includes representatives of most of the leading shipping firms and companies in the Colony. You have a capital relatively low compared with the resources of the dock, its workshops and engineering plant. You have also a valiant and expert staff who are not only conversant with the conditions and requirements of local shipping, but who are personally well in touch with the requirements of the business. There are some of the advantages you possess. There is another one which I venture to state never appears on the balance sheet—that is the matter of sentiment. Every one who has the interest of the Colony at heart looks with pride on the Dock Company. Every Hongkongite, whether he is a shareholder or not, views its past achievements with pride and looks forward with good will and hope to its increased prosperity in future. Gentlemen, with the co-operation of your directors, staff and shareholders, the good will of your customers, and the support of public opinion, you may look forward to meet successfully any competition that may arise. With these few remarks, I beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. JACK proposed the confirmation of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. H. Kewick, Mr. A. Fuchs, Mr. W. Helms and Mr. G. Friedland to the Board of Directors.

Mr. SKINNER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Messrs. G. H. Medhurst and S. Silverstone were re-elected to the Board on the motion of Mr. BERNINDOAGUS, seconded by Mr. PARLANE. Mr. APCAR proposed the re-election of the retiring auditors, Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and R. Percy Smith.

Mr. GREGG seconded, and the motion was carried.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow morning.

TO-NIGHT AT THE THEATRE.

We are asked to draw the attention of the public to the announcement of an extra performance of "The Liars" to be given this evening by the Amateur Dramatic Club. It appears that a considerable number of persons were unable to secure seats on Saturday for what was intended to be the final performance. Although the notice of this additional night is very brief, it is hoped the house will be as good as full on each occasion last week, as "good wine needs no bush" so a theatrical performance, which has delighted crowded houses on three successive nights, should need no "pulling" an extra night. The fact that an extra performance is being given only needs to be known, and we have no doubt the A.D.C. will have the gratification of seeing another full house to-night. The plan is at The Robinson P. no Oo's store.

TO LET

NO. 58, CAINE ROAD.
Nos. 27 and 31, SEYMOUR ROAD.
Apply to—
SAM WANG CO. LTD.
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1907. 190

TO LET

FROM 1ST MAY.
KOWLOON MARINE LOT 43, Yau-mai.
Area 85,200 square feet and with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1908. 221

TO LET

THE Top Floor of No. 2, Wyndham Street lately created by the Hotel Baltimore, suitable for a Club or Boarding House.
No. 7, BEDDERS HILL.
First Floor of No. 6, Queen's Road Central, comprising Six Large Rooms and Outhouses suitable for business Premises or Dwellings now occupied by **FRANK BORNEMANN & CO.**
Second Floor of No. 8, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, above the Office of **DAVID SARROON & Co., Ltd.**
Apply to—
DAVID SARROON & Co. Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1908. 90

TO LET—ON SHAMEEN.

LARGE 6-ROOMED HOUSE in best locality, facing the Bay.
Apply to—
X. Y. Z.
German Post Office, Canton.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1908. 161

TO LET

PER 1st January, One OFFICE ROOM on Second Floor, Prince's Buildings.
Apply to—
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1907. 102

TO LET

LARGE OFFICE ROOM on First Floor of No. 15, DES VŒUX ROAD.
Apply to—
FRANK BORNEMANN & CO.
No. 16, Des Vœux Road Central.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908. 144

TO LET

"FAIRVIEW," No. 1, Robinson Road, Hongkong Furnished or Unfurnished. Furniture can be purchased (if desired), 6 big Rooms, nice view of harbour.
Apply to—
Messrs. J. ULLMANN & Co.
34, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 1th February, 1908. 382

TO LET

NO. 2, CHANCERY LANE, 6 ROOMED HOUSE fitted with Electric Light, Central Locality.
"STILLINGFLEET" Peak Road, SIX-ROOMED HOUSE with Fine View of Harbour.
"HARPERVILLE" Garden Road, SIX-ROOMED HOUSE fitted with Electric Light and full use of Tennis Court.
Apply to—
PERCY SMITH & SETH,
Accountants & Auctioneers, &c.,
5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1908. 393

TO LET

NO. 5, MORRISON HILL.
One FOUR ROOMED HOUSE, at Praya East, near East Point.
Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1907. 93

TO LET

4 and 5-ROOMED HOUSES in Kowloon.
COMMODOUS SHOP in Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong. Immediate possession. Moderate rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. 117

TO LET

THE ROOMS on the first floor of No. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (opposite the General Post Office). The Rooms are light, spacious and well ventilated. Very moderate rent. Immediate Possession.
Apply to—
YEE SANG FAT & CO.
Same address.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1907. 270

TO LET

A HOUSE in KNOTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 185

TO LET

NO. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD.
Apply to—
COMPTON'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1905. 188

TO LET—AT CANTON.

EIGHT-ROOMED HOUSE on SHAMSHEN. AB. 99.
Apply to—
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908. 251

TO LET

A HACIENDA, Bay, Mount Kailash. The Peak, unfurnished, from the middle of end of April next. For particulars apply to the undersigned.
C. H. GRACE,
Care of Secretary's Office,
Hongkong Club.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1908. 311

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1908. 311

TO LET

FIRST Class European House, furnished or unfurnished, Leach Terrace and Humphreys Avenue, Kowloon.
Apply to—
TAM TSE KONG,
Care of Hip On Insurance, Exchange and Loan Co., Ltd., 42, Bonham Strand, West.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1907. 94

TO LET

AUCTION ROOMS, No. 2, Zetland Street, immediate possession.
Nos. 2 and 4, "FAIRVIEW," ROBINSON ROAD, Kowloon.
"WOODBURY" GARDEN ROAD.
"ROSEBATH," KOWLOON.
Apply to—
LEIGH & ORANGE.
1, Des Vœux Road.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1908. 87

TO LET

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.
Apply to—
SECRETARY.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. 91

TO LET

OFFICES on Top Floor No. 2, Connaught Road, facing the Cricket Ground.
No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.
1st floor.
"HATHERLEIGH," Conduit Road.
A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.
GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Vœux Road next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.
FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 86

TO LET

"LUGGERSFORD" (Furnished) No. 114, PRAYA EAST, 6 ROOMS.
No. 71, WYNDHAM STREET.
"GREENWOOD" Caine Road, suitable for a Boarding House or Club (containing 28 Rooms).
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Fine Offices and Dwelling Rooms.
No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Top Floor, (over Calbeck MacGregor).
OFFICES in Queen's Road Central.
BELLIOS TERRACE HOUSES.
ROBINSON ROAD.
GOOD CENTRAL GODOWN, No. 3a, DUNDRELL STREET.
LADDOKE, No. 3, CONDUIT Road, 8 Rooms, Furnished or Unfurnished from 1st April, 1908. Large Servants' Quarters and full sized Tennis Court.
No. 3, DUDELL STREET Shop and 1st floor.
Nos. 1 and 6, DES VŒUX VILLAS (PRAYA).
No. 57, PRAYA GRANDE, Macao.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
3rd Floor, Alexander Building.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 89

TO LET

GODOWN No. 101, Praya East.
Apply to—
CHATER & MODY.
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, 17th January, 1908. 212

TO LET

GODOWN No. 4, NEW PRAYA, Ken-nely Town.
Apply to—
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 209

TO LET

SIX ROOMED HOUSE at ELIOT Crescent, Robinson Road, Furnished or Unfurnished.
Apply to—
F. X. D'ALMEIDA & CASTRO.
31, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1908. 100

TO LET

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd Floors of No. 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL (formerly occupied by Messrs. SHAW, TOMES & Co.).
Apply to—
THE COMPTON DEPT.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Connaught Road Central.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1908. 290

TO LET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **MEH CHUN (美珍)** Firm of No. 48, DES VŒUX ROAD WEST, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong has on the 13th day of November, 1907, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade Marks of the following TRADE MARK:

THE TRADE MARK is intended to be used by the applicants forthwith in respect of the following goods viz:—Tea in Class 2.

A facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the undersigned.
Dated this 24th day of January, 1908.
GOLDING & BARLOW,
Solicitors for the Applicants,
10, Queen's Road Central.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
The report for presentation to the Shareholders at the thirty-ninth annual meeting to be held at the office of the General Managers, on March 10th reads:—
The General Managers and Consulting Committees have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the thirty-ninth annual report of the Company.
1907 Account.—This account shows a profit of \$288,457.65 which, subject to the approval of the shareholders, it is proposed to deal with as follows, viz:—
Dividend of 32% per share, \$216,000.00
Addition to reserve fund, 87,457.65
\$288,457.65
1907 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$423,027.42.
Mortgages.—From the reports and valuations made by the Company's Surveyors, the General Managers and Consulting Committees are satisfied that the properties held by the Company form ample security for the advances made.
Consulting Committee.—Mr. Raymond resigned his seat on account of his approaching departure from the Colony and Mr. C. S. Gubbay has been invited to fill the vacancy; his appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. In accordance with Section 13 of the Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. White and Mainland retired, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and H. Percy Smith, F.C.A.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

BALANCE SHEET.
31st December, 1907.
Capital, 8,000 shares of \$25 each, \$200,000.00
Reserve fund, 125,000.00
Unallocated dividends, 13,000.00
Accounts payable, 41,507.93
Working account, 1906, 283,457.65
Net profit, 1907, 288,457.65
Amount brought forward from below, 423,027.42
\$423,027.42
ASSETS.
Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 108,553.58
Cash in hand of general managers, 1,833.97
Fixed deposits, 50,000.00
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$50,000.00
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, 50,000.00
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, 25,000.00
Mortgages, 125,000.00
In Hongkong, \$1,127,716.36
In Shanghai, 656,007.21
783,723.57
Japanese Government deposit, 19,577.51
Consolidation bonds, \$5,376.23
Imperial bonds, 17,791.63
Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1937, \$23,907.78
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited, debentures, 27,536.21
Shanghai Club debentures, 26,006.67
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, debentures, 52,000.00
Accounts receivable, 129,469.63
185,043.55
\$423,027.42
WORKING ACCOUNT, 1906.
Losses and claims, \$156,242.46
Charges, 43,350.47
Remuneration to Consulting Committee and Auditors, 3,500.00
Commissions, 47,375.23
Commission on shares, 53,376.23
Balance at close, 1906, 283,457.65
Net premium received, less returns and expenses, 536,456.33
Interest, 386,743.74
Transfer fees, 143,105.05
Exchange, 491.74
\$536,456.33
Losses and claims, 3,500.00
Charges, 47,375.23
Commission on shares, 53,376.23
Balance at close, 1907, 423,027.42
Net premium received, less returns and expenses, 536,456.33
Interest, 386,743.74
Transfer fees, 143,105.05
Exchange, 491.74
\$536,456.33

THE HONGKONG ICE CO., LTD.
The twenty-seventh annual report reads:—
The General Managers have pleasure in submitting a statement of the Company's account for the year 1907.
Including \$4,381.48 brought forward from the previous year, and after deducting \$20,000 as an interim dividend of \$4 per share, the balance at credit of profit and loss account is \$117,578.41 which it is recommended should be appropriated as follows:—
A final dividend of \$15 per share, \$75,000.00
Provision for contingencies, 15,000.00
To write off property a/c, 23,000.00
To carry forward, 4,578.41
\$117,578.41
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 21st February, 1908.

BALANCE SHEET 31st December, 1907.
LIABILITIES.
Capital, 5,000 shares of \$25 each, 125,000.00
Accounts payable, 13,413.35
Amortised reserve account, 5,822.75
Provision for contingencies, 15,000.00
Profit and loss account, 117,578.41
\$167,814.71
ASSETS.
Land, buildings, plant and machinery as per last account, 174,475.35
Less written off per last report, 24,475.35
150,000.00
Hongkong fire insurance Co. share, as per last account, 225.00
China fire insurance Co. share, as per last account, 85.00
Canton Insurance Office share, as per last account, 120.00
Launch, let on hire, 5,735.00
Cash in hand, 1,119.98
Hongkong and Shanghai bank on current account, 81,829.64
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on deposit, 25,309.00
Total in stock, 86,000.00
Outstanding accounts, 5,652.00
Account receivable, 1,359.18
Cash in bank, 110.00
Total in bank, 600.00
Fire insurance, unexpired premium, 124.71
\$167,814.71

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report for presentation to the Shareholders at the thirty-ninth annual meeting to be held at the office of the General Managers, on March 10th reads:—
The General Managers and Consulting Committees have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the thirty-ninth annual report of the Company.
1907 Account.—This account shows a profit of \$288,457.65 which, subject to the approval of the shareholders, it is proposed to deal with as follows, viz:—
Dividend of 32% per share, \$216,000.00
Addition to reserve fund, 87,457.65
\$288,457.65
1907 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$423,027.42.
Mortgages.—From the reports and valuations made by the Company's Surveyors, the General Managers and Consulting Committees are satisfied that the properties held by the Company form ample security for the advances made.
Consulting Committee.—Mr. Raymond resigned his seat on account of his approaching departure from the Colony and Mr. C. S. Gubbay has been invited to fill the vacancy; his appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. In accordance with Section 13 of the Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. White and Mainland retired, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and H. Percy Smith, F.C.A.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

BALANCE SHEET.
31st December, 1907.
Capital, 8,000 shares of \$25 each, \$200,000.00
Reserve fund, 125,000.00
Unallocated dividends, 13,000.00
Accounts payable, 41,507.93
Working account, 1906, 283,457.65
Net profit, 1907, 288,457.65
Amount brought forward from below, 423,027.42
\$423,027.42
ASSETS.
Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 108,553.58
Cash in hand of general managers, 1,833.97
Fixed deposits, 50,000.00
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$50,000.00
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, 50,000.00
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, 25,000.00
Mortgages, 125,000.00
In Hongkong, \$1,127,716.36
In Shanghai, 656,007.21
783,723.57
Japanese Government deposit, 19,577.51
Consolidation bonds, \$5,376.23
Imperial bonds, 17,791.63
Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1937, \$23,907.78
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited, debentures, 27,536.21
Shanghai Club debentures, 26,006.67
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, debentures, 52,000.00
Accounts receivable, 129,469.63
185,043.55
\$423,027.42
WORKING ACCOUNT, 1906.
Losses and claims, \$156,242.46
Charges, 43,350.47
Remuneration to Consulting Committee and Auditors, 3,500.00
Commissions, 47,375.23
Commission on shares, 53,376.23
Balance at close, 1906, 283,457.65
Net premium received, less returns and expenses, 536,456.33
Interest, 386,743.74
Transfer fees, 143,105.05
Exchange, 491.74
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
DAGNY, Norwegian str., 883, O. Abrahamson, 24th February—Saigon 15th Feb., Rice—Annam, Thomson & Co.
HONGKONG, German str., 4,076, F. Porzelius, 24th February—Hamburg 11th January and Singapore 18th February, General—Hamburg, Amerika Linie.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,042, Payne, 24th February—Manila 21st February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MANILA, Norwegian str., 1,197, K. Gubrielsen, 24th February—Saigon 17th Feb., Rice and Daily—Wallen & Co.
MEIKO, Chinese str., 24th February—Canton, Monmouthshire, British str., 3,306, G. E. Wurber, 24th February—Singapore 18th February, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
RUBI, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 24th February—Manila 21st Feb., General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
YONEMARU, Japanese str., 1,761, M. Yamauchi, 24th February—Nagasaki 19th Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

CLEARANCES
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
24th February.
Amigo, German str., for Hoihow.
Drybar, Norwegian str., for Hoihow.
Hainan, British str., for Coast Ports.
Kueichow, British str., for Tientsin.
Specta, German str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.
24th February.
ANTIOCHUS, British str., for Tacoma.
PERRONIA, Russian str., for Singapore.
TJINWONG, Dutch str., for Batavia.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British str. Loongyang reports: Fine and clear, strong N. E. winds and high sea.
The British str. Monmouthshire reports: Ex. oriented very strong monsoon throughout passage, heavy seas from Aranda Islands to Paracels, thence to port strong monsoon and rough sea.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
February 24th.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Heliotes, Persia, Norwegian, Cyklop, Germania, Oscar II, Entin, H.M.S. Kent.
COLONIAL DOCK.—Nanshan.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
HAIMUN.
Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 25th inst., at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LARSEN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1908. 415

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.
THE Steamship
"ARRATON APCAR."
Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light, and carries a daily certified Doctor.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1908. 410.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Calling at Port Darwin, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.
THE Steamship
"EASTERN."
Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above SATURDAY, the 29th inst., at NOON.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, &c., &c., throughout the voyage.
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a daily qualified Surgeon are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Passage, apply to
GUTH, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1908. 317

CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO., LTD.
NOTICE.
FOR SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO.
THE Steamship
"MARIE."
Capt. G. C. Christensen, will be despatched for the above Ports via MOJI, JAPAN, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th March, at 5 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. Co., Ltd.,
Hotel Mansions.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 423

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.
Regular Steamship Service between Hongkong, CALLAO AND IQUIQUE, via JAPAN PORTS (Kobe and Yokohama).
With Liberty to call at Honolulu and Salina Cruz.
Steamers Tons
"KASATO MARU" 6,100 Sometime First half of April.
Taking Freight and Passengers to other Eastern and Western Coast Ports of South America in connection with Steamers of the Pacific S. N. Co.
K. MATSUDA, Manager,
York Building.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 10

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k" nearest Hongkong "h" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.
1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

| DESTINATION | VESSEL'S NAMES | FLAG & REG. | CAPTAIN | FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO | TO BE DESPATCHED |
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| LONDON &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL. | DELTA | Brit. str. | C. L. Daniel, R.N.R. | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 7th Mar. at Noon. |
| LONDON & AMSTERDAM VIA SINGAPORE, &c. | SCOTIA | Brit. str. | W. R. Hickey | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 8th March, To-morrow. |
| MARSEILLES, LYON, HAVRE & HAMBURG &c. | KENYON | Ger. str. | V. Hoff | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 3rd Mar. at 1 P.M. |
| MARSEILLES, SC. VIA PORTS OF CALL. | ERNEST SIMONS | Fr. str. | Girard | Messageries Maritimes | On 4th Mar. at D'light |
| MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c. | KAWACHI MARU | Jap. str. | H. Petersen | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | On 10th March. |
| MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c. | SANUKI MARU | Jap. str. | S. J. G. Parsons | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | About 11th March. |
| ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | ANDRIA | Ger. str. | Schwinghammer | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 13th March. |
| MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP | NUBIA | Brit. str. | F. J. Fox | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 3rd March. |
| ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | BRASILIA | Ger. str. | Hase | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | To-morrow, at 4 P.M. |
| HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c. | FLAVONIA | Ger. str. | Kotze | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | About 7th March. |
| NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES GIBRALTAR &c. | KLEIST | Ger. str. | Rnd. Meyer | STANDARD OIL CO. | About 18th March. |
| BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL | KENNEBEC | Brit. str. | Reynolds | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 12th Mar. at 4 P.M. |
| NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL | SAINT PATRICK | Brit. str. | ... | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 25th Mar. at Noon. |
| VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. | EMPEROR OF CHINA | Brit. str. | ... | DODWELL & CO., LTD. | On 17th inst. |
| VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c. | SHAWMUT | Am. str. | E. V. Roberts | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | On 17th Mar. at 4 P.M. |
| VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c. | AKI MARU | Jap. str. | M. Yagi | TOYO KISEN KAISHA | First half of April. |
| VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, WASH., &c. | IYO MARU | Jap. str. | Wm. Thompson | TOYO KISEN KAISHA | On 4th Mar. at 5 P.M. |
| GALLAO AND IQUIQUE, via JAPAN PORTS, &c. | KASATO MARU | Jap. str. | D. Mori | CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO. | On 3rd Mar. at 5 P.M. |
| SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO VIA MOJI & JAPAN | MARIE | Brit. str. | G. C. Christensen | MELCHERS & Co. | On 29th inst. at Noon. |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA | PRINZ SIGISMUND | Ger. str. | D. Lens | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | On 29th Mar. at Noon. |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA | EASTERN | Brit. str. | McArthur | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 9th Mar. at 4 P.M. |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA | YAWATA MARU | Jap. str. | K. Homma | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 17th April, at No. 2. |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA | TAIYUAN | Brit. str. | L. Dawson | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | About 29th inst. |
| KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | NIKKO MARU | Jap. str. | T. L. Harrison | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | On 15th Mar. at Noon. |
| KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | INABA MARU | Jap. str. | G. W. Cookman, R.N.R. | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | Quick despatch. |
| KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | PAIMA | Jap. str. | G. W. Cookman, R.N.R. | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | Today, at 4 P.M. |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | NIKKO MARU | Jap. str. | T. Harrison | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | To-morrow, at 4 P.M. |
| JAPAN | TIUPANAS | Dut. str. | Pand r. | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 29th inst. at 4 P.M. |
| TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO | AMARA | Brit. str. | F. Mooney | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 29th inst. at 4 P.M. |
| TIENSIN | CHUPSHING | Brit. str. | E. Forsyth | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | To-morrow at Noon. |
| TIENSIN | HUICHOW | Brit. str. | Jager | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 27th inst. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE | HONGKONG | Brit. str. | W. P. Baker | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 28th inst. at 3 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW | KWONGSANG | Brit. str. | G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R. | MELCHERS & Co. | On 28th inst. at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI | MARNORA | Brit. str. | W. O. Jones | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 28th inst. at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI & CHINKIANG | YUNNAN | Brit. str. | W. O. Jones | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 28th inst. at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE | TRANQUEBAR | Jap. str. | Brook | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | On 2nd March. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE | SANDIA | Ger. str. | C. Binzer | MELCHERS & Co. | About 2nd March. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE | CHINKIANG APCAR | Brit. str. | Jonas | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 9th March. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI | CHINKIANG | Brit. str. | W. E. Sawyer | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 13th Mar. at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI | YCHOW | Brit. str. | I. Sakurai | OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA | On 1st Mar. at 10 A.M. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | BORNEO | Jap. str. | A. J. Robson | DOUGLAS LARSEN & Co. | To-day, at 10 A.M. |
| SHANGHAI & KOBE | TAKAKI MARU | Jap. str. | A. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow, at 10 A.M. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | POLYNESIA | Frans. str. | Brook | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-day, at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | PRINZ LUDWIG | Ger. str. | C. Binzer | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 29th inst. at Noon. |
| SHANGHAI, CHINGWANTAO, JAPAN, AMERICA &c. | CEYLON | Frans. str. | Jonas | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 6th Mar. at 4 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI | FOOKSANG | Brit. str. | W. E. Sawyer | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | On 7th Mar. at Noon. |
| TAMU VIA SWATOW & AMOY | DAIWIN MARU | Jap. str. | I. Sakurai | OSAKA SHOSSEN KAISHA | To-morrow, at 4 P.M. |
| SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW | HAIMUN | Brit. str. | A. J. Robson | DOUGLAS LARSEN & Co. | Middle of March. |
| HAIPHONG | SINGAI | Brit. str. | A. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | To-morrow, at Daylight |
| MANILA | TRAN | Brit. str. | A. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 27th inst. at 3 P.M. |
| MANILA | LOONGSANG | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| MANILA | RUBI | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| MANILA | TAMU | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| MANILA | YCHOW | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| MANILA | ZAFIRO | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| CERU & ILOILO | KAYONG | Brit. str. | E. J. Robson | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | Quick despatch. |
| KUDAT & SANDAKAN | BORNEO | Ger. str. | F. Sembill | MELCHERS & Co. | Quick despatch. |
| BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO | KAGOSHIMA MARU | Jap. str. | K. Kori | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA | Quick despatch. |
| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | LAISANG | Brit. str. | E. J. Tadd | JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD. | Quick despatch. |
| AVA PORTS | TJIMAH | Dut. str. | de Brouwers | JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINE | Quick despatch. |

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| "LENNOX" | WEDNESDAY, 18th March | 8,700 | 23rd April | 23rd April |
| "EMPEROR OF INDIA" | THURSDAY, 9th April | 8,000 | 27th April | 27th April |
| "MONTAGUE" | WEDNESDAY, 23rd April | 8,700 | 16th May | 16th May |
| "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" | THURSDAY, 7th May | 8,000 | 25th May | 25th May |
| "GLENFARG" | WEDNESDAY, 26th May | 8,700 | 18th June | 18th June |

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| STEAMSHIP | Tons | CAPTAIN | FOR | SAILING DATE. |
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| RUBI | 2540 | R. W. Almond | Manila | On 29th Febr. Noon. |
| ZAFIRO | 2540 | E. Rodger | Manila | On 7th March, Noon. |

For Freight or Passage apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 14

HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY
FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).
S.S. "SAINT PATRICK" ... About 16th March.
For freight and further information apply to
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Hongkong, 28th January, 1908. 15

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAV. CO. LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
FOR
* TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO "AMARA" Tuesday, 25th Febr., 4 P.M.
* SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW "KWONGSANG" Wednesday, 26th Febr. Noon.
* TIENSIN "CHUPSHING" Wednesday, 26th Febr., 4 P.M.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "LAISANG" Thursday, 27th Febr., 3 P.M.
* MANILA "LOONGSANG" Friday, 28th Febr., 4 P.M.
* MANILA "YUENSANG" Friday, 6th March, 4 P.M.
* SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE MOJI, "FOOKSANG" Friday, 13th March, 4 P.M.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL.
A Special reduced fare of \$50 for Return Passengers will be issued for our Sailings to Manila of the 21st and 28th inst., available for 30 days from date of issue. Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.
* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
* Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chafco, and Tientsin via Chingwan'an.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
Hongkong, 25th February, 1908. GENERAL MANAGERS.

EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.

COPENHAGEN, SINGAPORE, BANGKOK & SHANGHAI.
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SWEDISH EAST ASIATIC CO., LD.
GOTHENBURG.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

| DESTINATION | STEAMERS | DATE OF SAILING |
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| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE | "TRANQUEBAR" | On 26th February |

For Further Particulars, apply to
HONGKONG, 17th February, 1908. MELOHERS & CO. AGENTS. 8

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

| Steamers | Tons | Captain | Sailing Date. |
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| * SHAWMUT | 9,606 | E. V. Roberts | On 27th February. |
| * TREMONT | 9,606 | T. W. Garlick | On 17th March. |
| * SUVERIC | 6,232 | W. Shotton | On 9th April. |
| * KUMERIC | 6,232 | Cowley | On 2nd May. |

1 Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

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PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES & CANADA.

For further information apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS.
QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1908. 8

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FRENCH MAIL-STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITER- RANEA AND BLACK SEA PORTS.
THE Steamship
"ERNEST SIMONS".
Captain Girard, will be despatched for MARSEILLES, on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, at 1 P.M.
The Steamer connects at Colombo with Australian s.s. "Nora" bound for Marseilles via BOMBAY and Aden.
Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.
Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.
Next sailings will be as follows—
S.S. "TUNKIN" ... 17th March.
S.S. "POLYNESIE" ... 31st March.
S.S. "TOURANE" ... 14th April.
J. MILLET Agent.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 2

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.
THE Steamship
"DELLA".
Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying H. Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay &c. on SATURDAY, the 7th March at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "MOOLTAN," 9,500 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Valuable all cargo for France and Teo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "PARSIA," due in London on 18th April, 1908.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1908. 1

ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO., LD.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).
THE Steamship
"KENNEBEC".
Captain Beynon, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 7th March, 1908.
For Freight, &c., apply to
STANDARD OIL CO. OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department,
(Hotel Mansions), Agents.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1908. 340

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CODE WORD: "DOCK."
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DOCK No. 3.
Extreme Length ... 722 feet.
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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 34 "
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Extreme Length ... 571 feet.
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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 22 "
PATENT SLIP.
Suitable for vessels up to 1,000 tons.
THE WORKS are well equipped with LATEST PLANTS and APPLIANCES to undertake BUILDING, REPAIRING SHIPS, ENGINES, and BOILERS; and also ELECTRICAL WORK.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

The *Polynesian*, with the French mail of the 31st January, left Singapore on Monday, the 24th inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 2nd March. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 25th December.

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| Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Peking | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow and Doli | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Singapore, Colombo and Bombay | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Haiphong | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |
| Swatow and Shanghai | Yamun | Tuesday, 25th, 3.00 P.M. |

TO-DAY.
Ordinary Meeting, Kowloon Land and Building at Co. Ltd., Co. Office, 11.45 a.m.
Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting, Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., at Co. Office, noon.
At the City Hall, at 9 p.m., "The Liers" by the A.D.C.
TO-MORROW.
Sales, Wines, &c., Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.
Flower Show, Botanic Garden, 2 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.
EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
February 24th.

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| ON LONDON | Telegraphic Transfer | 1/10 1/2 |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1/10 1/2 | |
| Bank Bills, at 30 days sight | 1/10 1/2 | |
| Bank Bills, at 4 months sight | 1/10 1/2 | |
| Credits, at 4 months sight | 1/10 1/2 | |
| Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight | 1/10 1/2 | |
| ON PARIS | Bank Bills, on demand | 237 |
| Credits, at 4 months sight | 242 1/2 | |
| ON GERMANY | on demand | 192 1/2 |
| ON NEW YORK | Bank Bills, on demand | 451 |
| Credits, at 60 days sight | 471 | |
| ON BOMBAY | Telegraphic Transfer | 1412 |
| Bank, on demand | 1412 | |
| ON CALCUTTA | Telegraphic Transfer | 1412 |
| Bank, on demand | 1412 | |
| ON SHANGHAI | Bank, at sight | 74 1/2 |
| Private, 30 days sight | 75 1/2 | |
| ON YOKOHAMA | On demand | 92 |
| ON MANILA | On demand | 231 p.m. |
| ON SINGAPORE | On demand | 113 1/2 |
| ON BATAVIA | On demand | 54 p.m. |
| ON HONGKONG | On demand | 54 p.m. |
| ON SAIGON | On demand | 54 p.m. |
| ON BANGKOK | On demand | 54 p.m. |
| SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate | £10.45 | |
| GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael | £55.25 | |
| SILVER, per oz. | £25 1/2 | |

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

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| Chinese | 20 cents pieces | £8.00 discount. |
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| Quotations are: | February 24th. |
| Malwa New | £940 per picul. |
| Malwa Old | £970 |
| Malwa Older | £1000 |
| Malwa V. Old | £1040 |
| Persian fine quality | £800 |
| Persian extra fine | £875 |
| Patna New | £857 1/2 per chest. |
| Patna Old | £857 1/2 |
| Benar New | £977 1/2 |
| Benar Old | £977 1/2 |

VESSELS EXPECTED.

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| THE INDIAN MAIL. | The <i>Apar</i> str. <i>Gregory</i> from Yokohama and Kobe, left Moji on the morning of the 21st inst., and may be expected here to-day at daylight. |
| THE AMERICAN MAIL. | The <i>Apar</i> str. <i>Arratoon</i> from Calcutta left Singapore on the afternoon of the 19th inst., and may be expected here to-day a.m. |
| THE GERMAN MAIL. | The I.G.M. str. <i>Kleist</i> left Shanghai on Sunday, the 18th inst., at midnight, and may be expected here to-morrow at 6 p.m. |
| THE CANADIAN MAIL. | The C.P.R. str. <i>Empress of India</i> left Vancouver p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th inst. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call. |

THE BARBER LINE str. *Satsuma* from New York, left Singapore on 15th inst. p.m., and is due here to-day.
The H.A.L. str. *Rhenania* left Shanghai on 22nd inst. at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-day at noon.
The B.N. Line str. *Benmore* from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 18th inst. for this port.
The H.A.L. str. *Sambia* left Singapore on 20th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on 27th inst. a.m.
The Danish str. *Frangar* left Colombo on Friday, the 14th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 28th inst.
The Megal Line str. *Pathan* left Singapore on 21st inst., and should arrive here on or about the 28th inst.
The E. & A. str. *Aladenham* from Sydney, left Port Darwin on Monday morning, the 17th inst. for Manila and this port.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Longway* from Manila, Mr. Ernest Bell.
Per *Monmouthshire* from Singapore, Dr. Bernard O'Connor, Messrs. J. Sullivan, R. Lavagan, and E. Wilson.
Per *Rubi* from Manila, Mr. & Mrs. J. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mrs. A. E. Byrnes, Dr. J. W. Anderson, Rev. G. W. E. Jones, Messrs. P. L. Miligan, W. Bridges, J. Rothchild, Allard, Antonio, Break, E. P. Ang, Capin, E. Jose San, Geo. Nixon, and Kiyama Fokowaki.
Per *Hokkaido* from Hamburg, &c., for Hongkong, Mr. and Mrs. M. Medburg, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crow, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hanneberger, Mrs. and Miss Major Klehm, Mrs. O. Paul, Miss Paula Lomax, Capt. O. Kohler, Lieut. Dr. Jim. Messrs. C. Ramon, J. M. D'Oliveira, José Lior, and E. Züllich, for Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. Hoffmann and 2 children, Mrs. G. Kalmburg and baby, Mrs. L. and child, Miss A. Lehmann, Miss G. Baschwitz, Capt. Gartner, and Mr. F. Rogers, for Kobe, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Melnisch, Miss L. Melnisch and child, Miss Dora Dodwell, for Yokohama, Mr. and Mrs. A. Selig, Mr. and Mrs. F. Weidmann, Mr. and Mrs. Massange de Lencore, Mr. and Miss E. Knapp, Misses J. F. Upton, G. Martin, and B. Martin, Prof. Dr. von Beck.

JOINT STOCK SHARE.

Hongkong, February 22nd.

| COMPANY. | PAID UP. | QUOTATIONS. |
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| Alhambra | Pa. 200 | Nominal. |
| Banks | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai | \$125 | \$700, sellers |
| National B. of China | 48 | \$51. |
| Bank of China | 124. 0d. | \$74, buyers |
| China-Borneo Co. | 112 | \$104. |
| China Light & P. Co. | 110 | \$5. |
| China Provident | 110 | \$18, sellers |
| Cotton Mills | | |
| Two | Tls. 60 | Tls. 58. |
| Hongkong | 110 | \$103, sellers |
| International | 114 1/2 | Tls. 58. |
| Long Kung Mow | Tls. 100 | Tls. 75. |
| Seychoes | Tls. 500 | Tls. 270. |
| Dairy Farm | 50 | \$184. |
| Docks and Wharves | | |
| H. & K. Wharf & G. | 150 | \$16. |
| H. & W. Dock | 150 | \$16. |
| New Amoy Dock | 150 | \$16, sellers |
| Shanghai & H. Wharf | Tls. 100 | Tls. 84. |
| Shanghai & H. Wharf | Tls. 100 | Tls. 214. |
| Forwick & Co., Gas | 125 | \$14, sellers |
| Green Island Cement | 410 | \$114, sellers |
| Hongkong & C. Gas | 410 | \$176. |
| Hongkong Electric | 110 | \$144, buyers |
| Hongkong Ice Co. | 150 | \$105, sellers |
| Milling Co., Ltd. | 100 | \$150. |
| Hongkong Rope Co. | 110 | \$120. |
| Insurance | | |
| China Fire | 150 | \$243, seller |
| China Fire | 120 | \$98, buyers |
| China Traders | 125 | \$91, sellers |
| Hongkong Fire | 150 | \$382. |
| North China | 25 | Tls. 86. |
| Union | 100 | \$550. |
| Yangtze | 150 | \$147. |
| Land and Building | | |
| Hongkong Land | 100 | \$101. |
| Hampshire & Sons | 110 | \$10, sellers |
| Kowloon Land & B. | 110 | \$10, x.d. |
| Shanghai Land | Tls. 50 | Tls. 103, x.d. |
| West Point Building | 150 | \$48. |
| Mining | | |
| Charbonnages | Pa. 250 | \$625, buyers |
| Sauze | 19/10 | \$8. |
| Peak Tramways | 110 | \$13. |
| Philippine Co. | 110 | \$63, buyer. |
| Refineries | | |
| China Sugar | 1100 | \$112, buyers |
| Lancet-Sugar | 1100 | \$112, buyers |
| Steamship Companies | | |
| China Mail | 125 | \$15, sellers |
| Penang & Swatow | 150 | \$40. |
| H. Canton & M. | 115 | \$394. |
| Indo-China S.N. Co. | 45 | \$40. |
| Shell Transport Co. | 41 | \$45. |
| Star Ferry | 110 | \$125, buyers |
| Do, New | 15 | \$123, buyers |
| South China M. Post. | 125 | \$20. |
| Steam Laundry Co. | 110 | \$17. |
| Stores & Dispensaries | 110 | \$24. |
| Campbell, M. & Co. | 110 | \$24. |
| Fowell & Co., Wm. | 110 | \$24. |
| Watkins | 110 | \$10, buyers |
| Watson & Co., A.S. | 110 | \$130, buyers |
| Weissmann, Ltd. | 110 | \$10, buyers |
| United Asbestos | 110 | \$10, buyers |
| Do, Founders | 110 | \$10, buyers |
| Union Waterboat Co. | 110 | \$10, x.d. |